

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A c[[C]]asting wheel for continuous casting of metal, including a casting groove for the metal along its periphery, for supply of metal melt while the wheel rotates in a vertical plane, said wheel cooperating with an endless belt [[[6]]] that runs together with the wheel during a part of the rotation of the wheel and covers the groove while forming a casting chamber, characterized in that the wheel comprises two wheel rings [[[1,2)]] mounted for rotation about axes that are set at an angel between each other, whereby the width of the groove varies during rotation of the wheel.
2. (Currently Amended) The c[[C]]asting wheel according to claim 1, comprising means for regulating the angle between the axes.
3. (Currently Amended) The c[[C]]asting wheel according to claim[[s]] 1 [[or 2]], in which one of the wheel rings [[[1)]] defines a first groove well [[[3)]] and the groove bottom [[[4)]]], while the other wheel ring [[[2)]] defines the other groove wall [[[5)]]].
4. (New) The casting wheel according to claim 2, in which one of the wheel rings defines a first groove well and the groove bottom, while the other wheel ring defines the other groove wall.